IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

n re application of: Holger KLAPPROTH et al.

Application No. 09/889,935 Confirmation No. 4721

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For: IMMOBILIZATION OF

MOLECULES ON SURFACES VIA POLYMER BRUSHES

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RESPONSE RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement mailed 24 January 2003, wherein the Examiner gave a one-month period for Response, attached hereto and provided herewith is a Petition for Extension of Time for five months, making the due date for response 24 July 2003.

Applicant respectfully elects Group II, Claims 11-14, drawn to a method of making a polyfunctional polymer monolayer.

CONCLUSION

Applicants submit that the claims pending are in condition for allowance. If any fees are found to be applicable, please charge any additional fees or make any credits to Deposit Account No. 07-1896.

Respectfully submitted,

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